



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6533***

LCO No. 3186



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:  
(ET)

***AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2       (1) "Discharge" means any emission, other than natural seepage,  
3       intentional or unintentional, and includes, but is not limited to,  
4       spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying or dumping;
- 5       (2) "Disposal" means the discharge, deposit, injection, dumping or  
6       placing of hydraulic fracturing waste into or on land or water so that  
7       such hydraulic fracturing waste, or any hazardous constituent of such  
8       hydraulic fracturing waste, enters the environment, is emitted into the  
9       air, or is discharged into any waters, including groundwaters;
- 10      (3) "Hydraulic fracturing" means the process of pumping any fluid  
11      into or under the surface of the ground in order to create fractures in  
12      rock for the purpose of the production or recovery of oil or gas;
- 13      (4) "Hydraulic fracturing waste" means any wastewater, wastewater  
14      solids, sludge, drill cuttings or other byproducts resulting from

15     hydraulic fracturing;

16         (5) "Person" means person, as defined in section 16-1 of the general  
17     statutes;

18         (6) "Storage" means the holding of such hydraulic fracturing waste  
19     for treatment or disposal; and

20         (7) "Treatment" means any method, technique or process designed  
21     to change the physical, chemical, or biological character or composition  
22     of any hydraulic fracturing waste so as to (A) neutralize such  
23     hydraulic fracturing waste, (B) recover material resources from such  
24     hydraulic fracturing waste, (C) render such hydraulic fracturing waste  
25     safer for transport or disposal, amenable for recovery or storage,  
26     convertible to another usable material or reduced in volume, or (D) for  
27     any hazardous constituent of such hydraulic fracturing waste, render  
28     nonhazardous.

29         (b) No person shall engage in the treatment, discharge, disposal or  
30     storage of any hydraulic fracturing waste in the state.

31         (c) No person shall use hydraulic fracturing waste in the  
32     manufacture of any item, product or material or sell or offer for sale  
33     any item, product or material to which such hydraulic fracturing waste  
34     has been added.

35         (d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may  
36     enforce the provisions of this section pursuant to chapter 439 of the  
37     general statutes and any fees collected shall be deposited in the  
38     General Fund.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2013	New section

***Statement of Purpose:***

To define hydraulic fracturing and hydraulic fracturing waste and to prohibit the treatment, discharge, disposal or storage of hydraulic fracturing waste in the state.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*